

MAYOR AND COUNCIL STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA SUBCOMMITTEE
Transportation

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION REPORT AND SUMMARY
November 27, 2006

ROLL CALL: 3:30 p.m.

ADJOURNED: 4:45 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Member Shirley Scott, Ward 4, Chair
Vice Mayor Carol West, Ward 2
Council Member Karin Uhlich, Ward 3

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

AGENDA ITEM/MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACTION	STAFF ACTION
1. Call to the Audience No speakers	
2. Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Update Jim Glock, reported that the detailed design for Houghton Road: Valencia to I-10 has begun and consultants have been selected for the other 2 segments. Andrew Singelakis reported that the “community conversations” have been completed for the Grant Road Corridor project and the results will be reported back to the community. The RFP to perform the corridor planning activities for Grant Road has been issued, with a project start and establishment of an advisory committee anticipated for March 2007.	Update received, no action taken. Continue regular updates.
3. Update on Downtown Projects <u>Re-stripe Granada Avenue:</u> Jim Glock reported on plans to re-stripe Granada from its current 2-lanes in each direction configuration to 1 lane in each direction with a center turn lane. Work to be complete prior to ramp closures associated with I-10 widening project. <u>Modern Streetcar:</u> Andrew Singelakis reported that the CAC has agreed to pursue an alignment that utilizes both Broadway and Congress. Project is undergoing studies to satisfy requirements of an Environmental Impact Statement, and study team is evaluating potential locations for streetcar stops along the alignment. <u>Downtown Links:</u> Andrew Singelakis reported that CAC unanimously selected the Seventh Avenue alignment as the preferred alternative. The preferred alternative will come before the full Mayor and Council on 12/05/06 for consideration/approval.	<u>Downtown Links:</u> Moved by VM West and seconded by CM Uhlich to take the recommendation of the Downtown Links CAC to full Mayor and Council for approval.
4. EPA Audit Jane Duarte and Jim DuBois of TDOT’s Stormwater Management Section reported on the findings of the EPA following an audit of the City’s Stormwater Management Program in May 2006. The EPA found no permit violations and were highly complimentary of the City’s program.	Update received, no action taken.
5. Transit Shuttle Revenue – Advertising Options George Caria, Transit Services Administrator reported on the different shuttle services provided by SunTran and TICET, their value to the community, and their costs. Discussed how the sale of bus wrap advertising provides the revenue needed to cover the shuttle operating costs.	Update received, no action taken.
6. City Strategic Plan – Transportation Element Jim Glock presented the final draft of the transportation element for the City’s 07/08 Strategic Plan. Requested that Council Members review and forward any comments within a week to J. Edmond-Mares.	Update received, no action taken.
7. Future Agendas <i>(suggested topics for further consideration/approval)</i> -Short-Range Transit Report -Feasibility of the use of “Circulators” in Tucson -Elderly Mobility Update	